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SUBJECT: IV GRANT PROGRAM: 1976 CU PROGRAM BUDGET

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1. AFTER CONSIDERABLE DELAY CONCERNING GRANT OFFER TO STATE COMMITTEE FOR RADIO AND TV (REFTEL C, PARA 6) EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED OFFICIAL LETTER FROM L. A. KOROLEV, CHIEF, FOREIGN RELATIONS DEPARTMENT THAT COMMITTEE.
 2. KOROLEV REPORTS THAT COMMITTEE UNABLE SEND HIGH-LEVEL OFFICIAL FOR EXTENDED PERIOD DEMANDED BY THIS PROGRAM BUT KEENLY INTERESTED IN EXPOSURE THIS TYPE PROGRAM OFFERS.
 3. AS ALTERNATIVE HE HAS SUGGESTED THREE GRANTS FOR 10-14 DAYS. EMBASSY INFORMED HIM THAT CONSIDERATION COULD BE GIVEN TO PARTIAL GRANT BUT THAT INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL WOULD HAVE TO BE PAID BY SOVIETS. THIS QSA GREEABLE TO KOROLEV, WHO INDICATED PARTICIPANTS WOULD PROBABLY COME FROM BOTH REPORTING AND ADMINISTRATIVE STAFFS.
 4. STATE COMMITTEE ESPECIALLY INTERESTED IN VISITS TO THREE MAJOR USA NETWORKS AND PBS. ADDITIONAL PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS CAN BE SUBMITTED LATER IF PROGRAM
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FEASIBLE AND WHEN PARTICIPANTS NAMED.

5. JUNE IS PREFERRED TRAVEL TIME SO FUNDS WOULD COME FROM CURRENT YEAR'S BUDGET (REFTEL B).

6. IN SUBSEQUENT INFORMAL TALKS WITH EMBOFF, KOROLEV SAID PROGRAM COULD BE EXTENDED FROM 10-14 DAYS TO 14-17 DAYS IF THIS MORE DESIRABLE. EMBASSY WOULD PREFER LONGER PERIOD.

7. KOROLEV PERSONALLY EXTREMELY INTERESTED THIS POSSIBILITY THOUGH IT CERTAIN HE WOULD NOT BE ONE OF THE OFFICIALS. IN ANY CASE, EMBASSY STRONGLY SUPPORTS IDEA AND REQUESTS DEPARTMENT'S ASSESSMENT ASAP. BREMENT

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